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#### PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

On July 13, 2004, the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") mailed a Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application, indicating that the patent application referenced above was deposited without drawings. Applicant respectfully submits that formal drawings were submitted with the above-referenced application, and respectfully submits herewith the following:

- 1. copy of the Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application mailed July 13, 2004;
  - 2. copy of the formal drawings as filed with the above-referenced application;
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#### **CONCLUSION**

Applicant respectfully requests the granting of this petition, and that a filing date of January 2, 2004 be afforded.

Applicant attaches a check in the amount of \$130.00, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(e) and 37 CFR 1.17(i) but requests reimbursement in full of this amount if it is determined that the enclosures resolve the issues noted in the Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application mailed July 13, 2004. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional amount due or credit any overpayment to Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P. deemed necessary to effectuate this filing.

Respectfully submitted, BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

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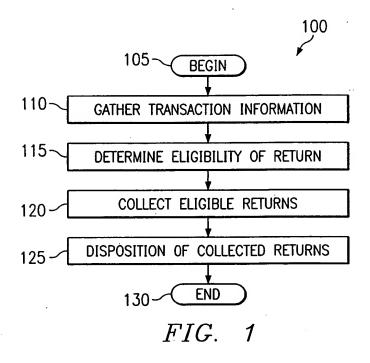
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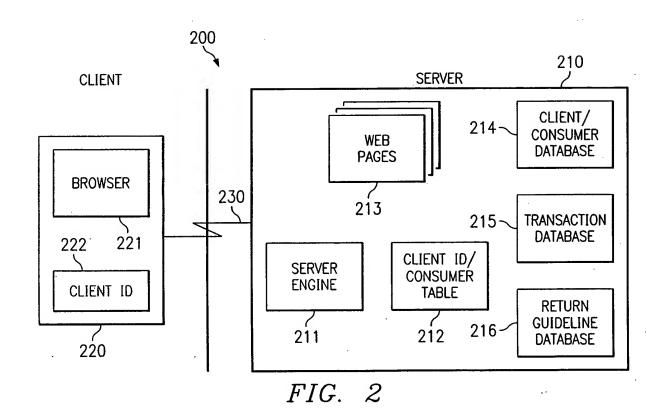
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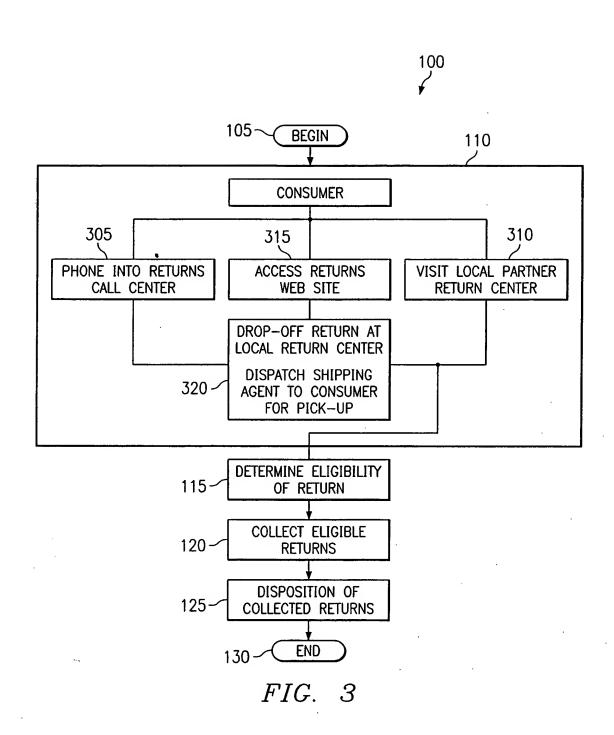


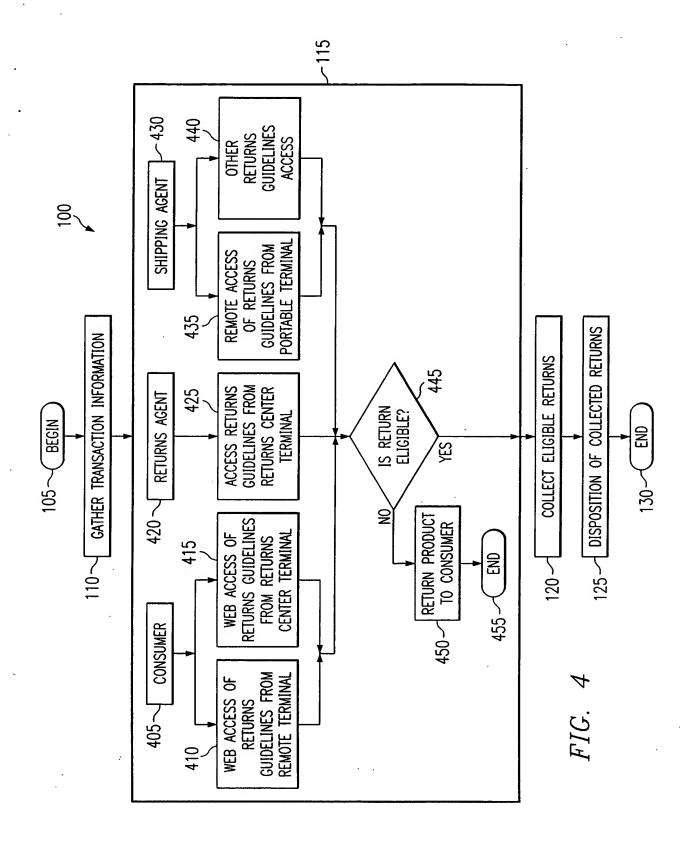
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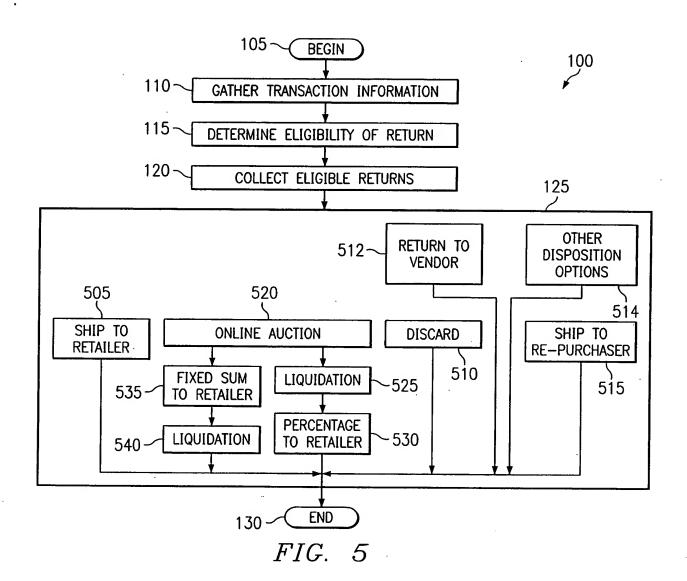
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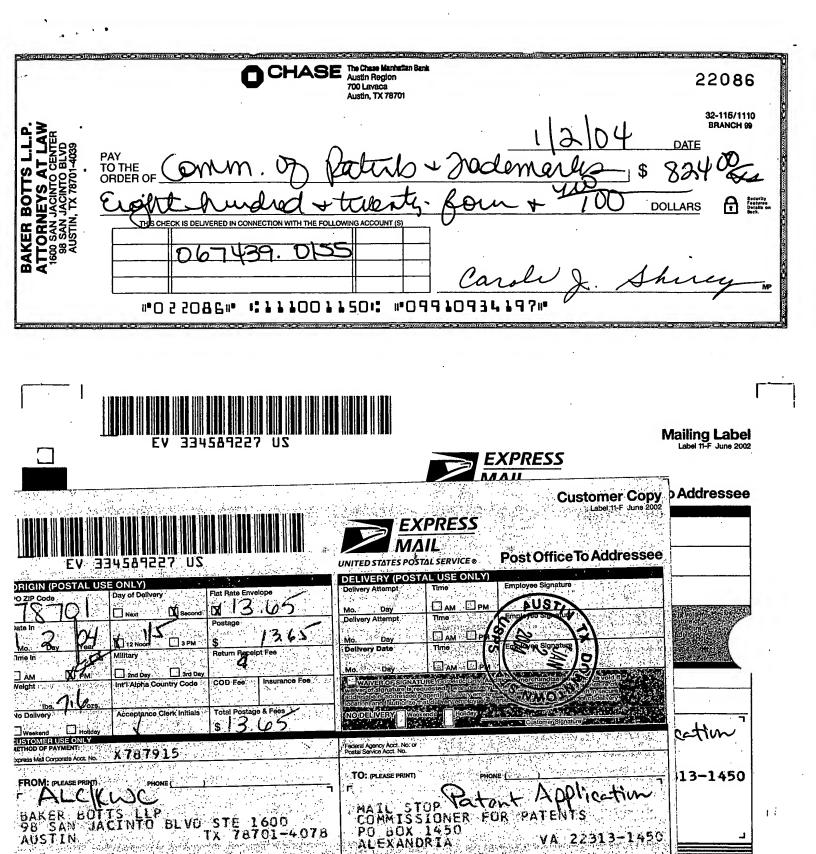
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